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SUBJ: REPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT

1. TODAY'S SESSION WITH FOREIGN MINISTER HUANG HUA FELL INTO THREE PARTS. AT THE OUTSET HE TOLD ME VICE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING WAS INVITING ME TO A MEETING AND DINNER TOMORROW AT THE SUMMER PALACE. AFTER THIS I CONCLUDED MY GLOBAL PRESENTATION COVERING AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND NON-PROLIFERATION. I INVITED HIS RESPONSE, BUT HUANG RESERVED HIS OVERALL RESPONSE FOR TOMORROW. HE ASKED SOME MILDLY POINTED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE HORN OF AFRICA, THE MIDDLE EAST, SOUTHERN AFRICA AND YUGOSLAVIA, AND INQUIRES AS TO OUR VIEW OF SOVIET STRATEGY. TO COUNTER THE CHINESE VIEW OF SOVIETS NINE FEET TALL, I USED CONSIDERABLE DETAIL TO ILLUSTRATE OUR IMPRESSION THAT THE SOVIETS ARE IN TROUBLE BOTH IN THE HORN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA WHERE THEY SEEM TO BE SEEKING TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY RATHER THAN CONDUCTING A WELL THOUGHT OUT STRATEGY. I WAS SURPRISED

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BY HUANG'S LACK OF CURRENT KNOWLEDGE ON THE MIDDLE EAST. I REBUTTED SUGGESTIONS THAT WE WERE NOT SUPPORTING SADAT ADEQUATELY AND REVIEWED OUR BASIC POLICY TOWARD A COMPREHENSIVE ARAB-ISRAELI SETTLEMENT. I THINK THE EXCHANGES WERE USEFUL.

2. WITHOUT DOUBT THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THE MEETING WAS MY

PRESENTATION ON OUR APPROACH ON NORMALIZATION AND THE NATURE OF OUR REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE THE PRC AS THE SOLE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA. I HAD THE FEELING, SHARED BY MY COLLEAGUES, THAT THE CHINESE SIDE OF THE TABLE FELT IT WAS AN HISTORIC OCCASION. THEY WERE EXTREMELY ATTENTIVE AND SOBER AND READILY ACCEPTED MY SUGGESTION THAT WE BREAK OFF AT THE CONCLUSION OF MY REMARKS SO THEY COULD HAVE TIME TO REFLECT. THE CHINESE SEEM TO HAVE TAKEN OUR PRESENTATION AS A SERIOUS ONE. BUT OUR PROPOSALS POSE VERY DIFFICULT PROBLEMS FOR THEM AND NOTHING TODAY GIVES ME ANY BASIS FOR PROJECTING THE NATURE OF THEIR RESPONSE. PERHAPS TENG WILL RESPOND TOMORROW. EVEN IF HE DOES NOT, THE TONE OF HIS REMARKS WILL GIVE US SOME CLUE OF WHAT WE CAN EXPECT.

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